## § 1126.9

## §1126.9 Handler.

See § 1000.9.

### §1126.10 Producer-handler.

Producer-handler means a person who:
(a) Operates a dairy farm and a distributing plant from which there is route disposition in the marketing area during the month;

- (b) Receives fluid milk products from own farm production or milk that is fully subject to the pricing and pooling provisions of the order in this part or another Federal order;
- (c) Receives no more than 150,000 pounds of fluid milk products from handlers fully regulated under any Federal order, including such products received at a location other than the producer-handler's processing plant for distribution on routes. This limitation shall not apply if the producer-handler's own farm production is less than 150,000 pounds during the month;
- (d) Disposes of no other source milk as Class I milk except by increasing the nonfat milk solids content of the fluid milk products; and
- (e) Provides proof satisfactory to the market administrator that the care and management of the dairy animals and other resources necessary to produce all Class I milk handled (excluding receipts from handlers fully regulated under any Federal order) and the processing and packaging operations are the producer-handler's own enterprise and at its own risk.
- (f) Any producer-handler with Class I route dispositions and/or transfers of packaged fluid milk products in the marketing area described in §1131.2 of this chapter shall be subject to payments into the Order 1131 producer settlement fund on such dispositions pursuant to §1000.76(a) and payments into the Order 1131 administrative fund provided such dispositions are less than three million pounds in the current month and such producer-handler had total Class I route dispositions and/or transfers of packaged fluid milk products from own farm production of three million pounds or more the previous month. If the producer-handler has Class I route dispositions and/or transfers of packaged fluid milk products into the marketing area described in §1131.2 of this chapter of three million

pounds or more during the current month, such producer-handler shall be subject to the provisions described in §1131.7 of this chapter or §1000.76(a).

[64 FR 48004, Sept. 1, 1999, as amended at 71 FR 25501, May 1, 2006]

#### §1126.11 [Reserved]

#### §1126.12 Producer.

- (a) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this section, *producer* means any person who produces milk approved by a duly constituted regulatory agency for fluid consumption as Grade A milk and whose milk (or components of milk) is:
- (1) Received at a pool plant directly from the producer or diverted by the plant operator in accordance with §1126.13; or
- (2) Received by a handler described in § 1000.9(c).
  - (b) Producer shall not include:
- (1) A producer-handler as defined in any Federal order;
- (2) A dairy farmer whose milk is received at an exempt plant, excluding producer milk diverted to the exempt plant pursuant to §1126.13(d);
- (3) Å dairy farmer whose milk is received by diversion at a pool plant from a handler regulated under another Federal order if the other Federal order designates the dairy farmer as a producer under that order and the milk is allocated by request to a utilization other than Class I; and
- (4) A dairy farmer whose milk is reported as diverted to a plant fully regulated under another Federal order with respect to that portion of the milk so diverted that is assigned to Class I under the provisions of such other order.

# §1126.13 Producer milk.

*Producer milk* means the skim milk (or the skim equivalent of components of skim milk), including nonfat components, and butterfat contained in milk of a producer that is:

(a) Received by the operator of a pool plant directly from a producer or a handler described in §1000.9(c). All milk received pursuant to this paragraph shall be priced at the location of the plant where it is first physically received;